

# ST ANTHONY & ST MARK'S

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## TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (C) 31ST AUGUST 2025

<b>HOLY MASS</b>	Tues	7.00 pm at St Anthony's	Sat	5.00 pm Vigil at St Mark's
	Wed	9.30am at St Mark's	Sun	10.00 am at St Mark's
	Thu	9.30am at St Anthony's	Sun	11.30 am at St Anthony's
	Fri	9.30 am at St Mark's	Sun	1.30 pm at St Anthony's: Syro-Malabar Qurbana
	Sat	9.30am at St Anthony's	Sun	5.00 pm at St Anthony's
<b>HOLY ROSARY</b>	Tue	6.40pm at St Anthony's	Sat	9.00 am at St Anthony's
<b>CONFESSION</b>	Sat	9-9.20am St Anthony's	Sat	4.30-4.50pm St Mark's
			Sun	4.30-4.50pm St Anthony's

### SUNDAY READINGS

Reading 1	Sirach 3:17-18	Humble yourself so you will find favour in the sight of the Lord.
Psalms	Ps 68(67):4-5ac.	In your goodness, O God, you provided a home for the poor.
Reading 2	Hebrews 12:18-19	You have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God.
Acclamation	Matthew 11:29ab	Take my yoke upon you, says the Lord, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart.
Gospel	Luke 14:1, 7-14	Everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted.

### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

**Those who died recently, especially:** Etta McFadden; Helen Devenny; Solange Murphy, Matt Murdoch.

**Anniversaries:** Denis McConnellogue, Jean McCluskey.

**Sick & housebound :** Nora McGinley; Michael Leslie; John Mulheron; Steve Kolbay; Tim Kolbay; Rose McCorley; Catherine Scott; Erin Lavery; Beatrice Hannah; Pauline Mahon; Mary McColgan; Ella Connolly, Isa Daniels, Finn McGuinness, Hope McKenna, May O'Donnell, Margaret Rice; Sandra Morgan; Neil Morton; Steven Murphy; Sandra Burke.

### CALLING ALL POTENTIAL CATHOLICS!

Have you ever thought about becoming a Catholic or wanted to know more about the Catholic faith? Consider this your personal invitation! We'll be holding a completely no-obligation enquiry evening on Thursday 18th September from 7-8pm in St Mark's church house. Our team will outline the process involved, you'll hear from some of the people who undertook the process last year, and you'll have a chance to ask any questions you may have, all in an informal setting with nice cakes! You can also bring a friend for support. See you then. The parish RCIA team.

### PARISH TRIP TO SALAMANCA

There will be a meeting regarding this trip on Thursday the 4th of September at St Anthony's Church @7pm. All involved are welcome to this meeting.

### PARISH CHOIR

Choir rehearsals have started back on a Tuesday evening at St Anthony's after 7pm Mass. New members always welcome. We are a friendly bunch and don't take ourselves too seriously!

We will be preparing the music liturgy for Deacon Christopher's first Masses in the parish and would be delighted for more people to join us. We will also be looking ahead to our eagerly anticipated Carols By Candlelight. No previous experience required.

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact Siobhán on 07970094836.

### LITTLE MIRACLES BABIES' AND TODDLERS' GROUP IS BACK

Our parish group for babies, toddlers, and those who are looking after them have resumed. Its on every Thursday from 10am—11.30am at St Mark's Hall, and will continue weekly going forward. A warm welcome awaits you with refreshments, lots of toys and games, a cosy corner with story readings, and our trademark fun with bubbles, songs and the parachute. The little organising team has worked ever so hard to make this group a success: please come along if you can to support them, and to kickstart this important parish group for the year ahead. Could you also become a volunteer? We'd love people—even occasionally—to help with roles from making tea and juice to set-up and tidy-up. Please come along or contact Jenny on 07519831033.

### DEACON CHRISTOPHER PARISH ORDINATION CELEBRATIONS

Shhh don't tell him, but...

We are very keen to celebrate Christopher's Ordination in the parish, after the great impression he has made and the way all parishioners have taken him to their hearts.

As you know, you are invited to his **Ordination** on **Wednesday 3rd September** at **6.30pm** at the Cathedral in Motherwell. The bus is full but you can come by your own transport. **The bus will leave St Anthony's at 5.15pm and St Mark's at 5.30pm.** The bus is also a little bit over-subscribed, so if you don't intend to travel can you let Fr Stephen know (you can text the parish phone).

You're also most welcome at his **Mass of Thanksgiving** on **Thursday 4th Sept** at 10am at Our Lady of Lourdes, East Kilbride.

In addition, we'll have a special Thanksgiving Mass celebrated by Christopher, and post-Mass celebration in the hall at **St Mark's** on **Sunday 7th September** at the 10am Mass. There should be a few wee surprises on the way. Come ready to dance and with an appetite.

Christopher will also celebrate a special Thanksgiving Mass followed by buffet lunch at the 11.30 Mass at **St Anthony's** on **Sunday 14th September**. We have a special job for the children at this Mass. Come with an appetite for this one, too.

Needless to say, all parishioners and friends are welcome at ALL of the above events, you don't have to choose!

### JUSTICE AND PEACE CARITAS AWARD PROJECT 2025-26

Following on from the great success of last year's pilot, our Caritas Award candidates will be once again be learning about Catholic Social Teaching, and engaging parishioners in reflection, prayer and action around a justice and peace theme. Last year the focus was Human Trafficking and People Smuggling, and this year it will be Refugees, a very topical issue. We would invite anyone who is undertaking the Caritas Award (those in S6), whether at Trinity or another school, and whether a parishioner or not, to consider joining us. Please contact your Caritas co-ordinator at school or email Paul Foley at paulfoley@rcdom.org.uk.

The first parish gathering (with pizza!) will be on **Sunday 31st August** at 6pm in the side chapel at St Anthony's.

### ST ALOYSIUS' COLLEGE - OPEN EVENTS INVITATION

St Aloysius' College warmly invites families to discover more about Glasgow's only Jesuit school at our upcoming Open Events. Rooted in the Jesuit tradition and guided by our motto Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam (AMDG) - For the Greater Glory of God - we are committed to forming young people of competence, conscience and compassion.

Join us on:

Open Morning: **Saturday 20th September 2025**

Open Evening: **Thursday 6th November 2025**

For more information or to arrange your visit, please contact our Admissions Team at: [admissions@stalloysius.org](mailto:admissions@stalloysius.org) | 0141 332 3190

### SHARING GOOD NEWS WITH YOUNG PEOPLE | 9TH SEP | 7-8:30 PM | Diocesan Centre, Motherwell

Next Youth Ministry Workshop to learn how to engage young people in conversation especially sharing the Gospel through discussions with tools and tips on delivering attractive and good quality talks. Poster in Foyer.

To register: <https://forms.gle/jnej9AXqfSP9u8HH8> Or contact mishal@rcdom.org.uk for more info.

### FAMILY ENGAGEMENT TEAM MEETING

Our parish has a pastoral focus on children, families and young people, and although it is all parishioners' responsibility to welcome our families and young people, we also have a dedicated team who plan events such as the Mass for recently baptised babies, and initiatives such as the Ignite Club for First Communicants and the Little Miracles. This team is always looking for new ideas and people, so you are all invited to the next meeting which will take place this Sunday 31st August after the 11.30 Mass to about 1.15pm, in the side chapel at St Anthony's. We hope to see you there.

### AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED

North Korean defector to share his remarkable story of survival, courage, and hope.

Wednesday 10th September, St Joseph's Church Hall, Clarkston, 7pm – 9pm. Free event.

Hear the powerful testimony of a Christian who escaped the brutal regime in North Korea. Reserve your ticket at <https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FDYV>.

For more information, please contact the ACN Scotland office at [scotland@acnuk.org](mailto:scotland@acnuk.org) or call 01698 337 470.

### TAIZE SERVICE FOR CARE OF CREATION.

A beautiful opportunity to reflect on God's word, and pray together for our world to be healed. Tuesday 2nd September at 7.00pm. St Ninian's Church, St Nina's Rd., Hamilton ML3 9TS.

**QR CODE FOR PARISH GIVING** If parishioners or visitors would prefer to use their mobile phones to make a donation at Sunday Mass, then please feel free to use this QR code.

